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Aruba's Minister of Finance, Communication, Utilities and Energy, Mike de Meza, was proud to announce yesterday that former Vice-President and Nobel Peace Laureate Al Gore, author of "Our Choice: A Plan to Solve the Climate Crisis," "The Assault on Reason", "Earth in the Balance" and "An Inconvenient Truth,' will be the keynote speaker at the upcoming "Our Future with Green Energy" Congress taking place Septantia 20 to Otto tember 29 to October 3. Following eight-year his

tenure as vice-president from 1993 to 2001, his name has become synonymous with environmental concerns.

"Vice President Gore is one of the most important driving forces behind the green awareness movement," commented Minister de Meza. "The wisdom of Mr. Gore's words will be of great

such change." His campaign to educate the public regarding climate change during more than 1000 lectures was recounted in the 2006 documentary, "An Inconvenient Truth," and debuted at the Sundance Film festival; it won the Academy Award as Best Documentary Feature. It will be screened at local cinemas prior and during the energy conference.

Vice President Gore is Chairman of the Alliance for Climate Protection and Current TV, an Emmy award winning, independentlyowned cable and satellite te-

> levision nonfiction network. Their news stories and documentaries are often based on viewercreated content and citizen journalism posted to their website. He also serves as Chairman of Generation Invest-ment Management, a firm that is focused on a new approach to sustainable vesting.

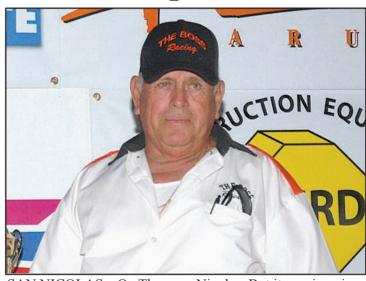
> During the announce ment, Minister de Meza affirmed the present administration's serious intention to see Aruba independent of fossil fuels

for its power production, and the importance of the upcoming congress and trade fair towards the achievement of this goal.

Detailed information regarding the conference and tradeshow is available on the website www.greenaruba.org

by Rosalie Klein

Drag race pioneer Juan Werleman passes



SAN NICOLAS - On Thursday night, at approximately 9:15 p.m, a fatal accident occurred at the Palo Marga, Aruba's drag strip. The accident was between two motorcyclists and a person on a Quad racer. The two motorcyclist were racing on the drag strip and at one moment encounter a person at the end of the strip on a quad racer. One motorcyclist managed to avoid the Quad racer, but the other one hit the Quad racer, with devastating consequences.

The person on the quad racer was President of The Boss racing organization, President of Aruba Racing Foundation and well-known drag racing pioneer Juan Werleman. He was badly hurt and was immediately received first aid by paramedics stationed at the Palo Marga. Due to his ciritical condition he was transported by ambulance to the Dr. Rudy Engelbrecht Medical Center in San

Nicolas. But it was in vain, a few moments later Dr. Albacarys confirmed the death of Mr. Werleman. The two motorcyclists were also injured and both were transported to the hospital.

Juan Werleman, better known as 'Juan Grandi' was born on Aruba on December 21, 1942. He was a big drag race lover and dedicated most of his life to promote this sport, even bringing it in the international spotlight by organizing international races with the participations of foreign drivers.

An investigation is going on to know the reason why Mr. Werleman was on the drag strip at the moment of the race.

Strength to Juan's family, friends, teammates and fans of drag race, in these difficult moments. He will be surely missed. Aruba has indeed lost a grand man in the sport of drag racing.

Hurricane Danielle to skirt Bermuda as Atlantic storms rage

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Hurricane Danielle to skirt Bermuda as Atlantic storms rage

MIAMI, Florida (AFP) – Hurricane Danielle, the strongest storm of the Atlantic season, strengthened yesterday on a course that was expected to steer away from Bermuda as two more storms brewed in its wake, US forecasters said.

Danielle strengthened to a Category Four hurricane with sustained winds of 215 kilometers (135 miles) per hour, the Miami-based National Hurricane Center said.

But the powerful storm was likely to leave Bermuda relatively unscathed based on the current forecast track, which calls for the hurricane to pass well east of the Atlantic island territory late today.

Bermuda "will be out of the hurricane and tropical storm force winds area," said Dennis Feltgen, spokesman for the hurricane center.

"They will have pretty big waves and heavy surf conditions, and that's about it.'

Feltgen said Danielle remained a "pretty big storm" but should weaken as it moves over the colder waters of the Atlantic.

The latest advisory placed Danielle 770 kilometers (480 miles) southeast of Bermuda with a movement to the northwest at 19 kilometers per hour.

Of greater concern out in the Atlantic was Tropical Storm Earl, which forecasters expect to reach hurricane status by late today and then threaten the eastern Caribbean, including Puerto Rico, by late Monday or early Tuesday.

"Earl is not any threat to land at this time although residents in the eastern Caribbean should be monitoring the progress of the system," Feltgen said. "It is in an environment where it will strengthen."

It is forecast to then turn to the northeast, and travel between the Bahamas and Bermuda, potentially threatening the US east coast at the end of next week.

Hard on the two storms' heels, a third weather system off Africa's west coast is now threatening to form into a tropical depression, with a 70 percent chance of growing into yet another hurricane in the next 48 hours over the Atlantic, the NHC said.

Salmonella confirmed at egg recall farms by FDA tests

WASHINGTON -- Salmonella tests confirm that eggs at two Iowa producers are contami-

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nated with a salmonella strain blamed for a national outbreak and huge recall, federal officials said. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration said salmonella enteritidis was found in two barns at Wright County Egg and in feed that the company made and gave to its chickens and in feed it supplied to Hillandale Farms, it reported yesterday.

Wright County Egg and Hillandale recalled about 500 million eggs during the past two weeks and agreed not to sell shell eggs to the public until the FDA finishes its investigation. The companies supplied eggs that were sold under at least 25 brands.

No deaths have been reported in the outbreak federal officials say they believe began in May.

Some 1,700 people have fallen ill in the United States from salmonella found in fresh eggs between May 1 and August 25, according to the acting director of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's foodborne diseases divi-

Wyclef Jean definitively barred from Haiti vote

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AFP) - Hip hop star Wyclef Jean has been definitively barred from running in Haiti's November presidential elections, the electoral council said yesterday.

"In the eves of the law and the provisional electoral council (CEP), the list of candidates admitted to the race is final," CEP lawyer Durand Jeanty

Jean has been adjudged ineligible for the top office being vacated by President Rene Preval because he has not lived in the impoverished Caribbean nation for five consecutive vears.

"Nos Cartera y Nos Finansa" raffle results

ORANJESTAD -- The Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) recently conducted the survey "Nos Cartera y Nos Finansa". Atotal of 899 survey forms were collected and the CBA is currently processing the data. The CBA hereby would like to thank the Aruban community for their excellent cooperation with this survey.

To show its appreciation, the CBA has recently drawn the tickets from the raffle associatedwith this survey. The winning ticket numbers are as follows:

First Price: A laptop Ticket#: 823

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Ticket#: 121

Ticket#: 180

Ticket#: 157

Ticket#: 388

Ticket#: 488 Ticket#: 366 Ticket#: 730 Ticket#: 744

Third price: Cinema tickets

for two persons:

Ticket#: 755

Ticket#: 306

Ticket#: 525

Ticket#: 524

Ticket#: 102

Ticket#: 71

Ticket#: 738

Ticket#: 22 Ticket#: 547

Ticket#: 752

Ticket#: 357 All winners will be contacted by the CBA to collect their price. The CBA would like to congratulate all the winners and thank the Aruban community for its cooperation

For further information on this matter, please contact Mr. Giantcarlo Croes (project leader) at tel. 5252162 or via e-mail g.g.croes@cbaruba.org.

given to this important survey.

Hero's welcome for Carter and American freed by **North Korea**

BOSTON. Massachusetts (AFP) - Former US president Jimmy Carter returned yesterday to a hero's welcome after bringing home safely an American national sentenced to eight years hard labor in North Korea.

Friends and family gathered on the tarmac in Boston, Massachusetts to greet Aijalon Mahli Gomes, a 30-year-old African-American man who was jailed for illegally crossing into the North from China.

The group cheered and clapped when the plane landed shortly after at 2:00 pm and Carter and Gomes walked out. The pair entered the airport building without talking to reporters.

At Carter's request, North Korean leader Kim Jong-Il granted an amnesty to Gomes, who was detained in January and sentenced in April to eight years of hard labor and a fine of about 600,000 dollars.

The US State Department welcomed his release, while stressing anew that Washington played no official role in Carter's mercy mission.

"We appreciate former president Carter's humanitarian effort and welcome North Korea's decision to grant Mr Gomes special amnesty and allow him to return to the Uni-States," department spokesman Philip Crowley said.

Gomes's family issued a statement before his arrival, saying they felt "blessed" and thanking Carter for his efforts.

North Korea's official KCNA news agency also said Pyongyang had expressed its willingness through Carter to resume six-party talks which have been on ice since April

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Many question manner how the new 'Aruba branding' came to be

Minister admits to Parliament member Irausquin that no public tendering took place

ORANJESTAD—Parliament approved the budget for the local campaign of the new Aruba branding and therefore Minister of Tourism Otmar Oduber felt it was his right to determine who can execute the campaign. That was his reaction based on sharp questions within the community and even from his own party members regarding the campaign and execution.

The Aruba government exactly a week ago unveiled the new 'image' of Aruba in a grand event held in the main street. The new image was a new Aruba logo as well as posters, t-shirts, banners and also images of random Arubans with messages directed to the general public. Yet from the onset there were criticism. Known music composer and San Nicolas advocate Antoni Gario immediately noted the absence of a 'black' Aruban in the photo series and said that the campaign totally ignores the contribution of at least one third of the population. Others questioned the half a million florin budget in a time when public funds are tight, and there were also some who had inquiries about how the tendering of the campaign took place.

One of such persons was Juan David Irausquin, Parliament member and party colleague of the Minister of



Juan David Irausquin

Tourism. The AVP Parliament member wanted to know the objective of the branding campaign and what criteria will be used to measure the success of the pricy launching. He also asked the Minister whether an evaluation will follow to determine if the branding was successful or not. If there is no such evaluation planned, Irausquin would like to know the reason thereof.

Moreover, the Parliament member wanted to know the exact budget of the launching campaign and how it is financed. Moreover, he had inquiries on how the funds were spread among the various media outlets in Aruba.

Juan David Irausquin,

who during his political campaign promised that he would have a sharp eye on public spending and transparency in government, even though the Ministers are members of his own party, also asked about the process to select the companies who are responsible for the launching and campaign. He asked whether there was a public tender and if not, he asked to see the Minister's Decree, bypassing the requirement of a public tender in case the project exceeds 100 thousand Aruban florins. Moreover, he wanted explanation on how the Minister selected the companies, based on which criteria. Irausquin said he wanted to receive confirmation from Minister Oduber that he did his utmost to ensure he received the best offers.

Minister Oduber in a report prepared by the very same person who leads one of the companies executing the campaign, said he choose four companies to do the job and formulated his decision in a Decree. Moreover Parliament had already given approval for the campaign and its finances during the budget meetings of the Aruba government.

Juan David Irausquin asked for a written, detailed answer, which could also explain why the Minister decided to split the budget between companies he choose, why he left other advertising agencies out, and who received the biggest chunk of work based on what. Reasons for such inquiries within the community are multiple, particularly because the campaign was done for the Aruba Tourism Authority, an entity that is specialized in marketing, but somehow could not do its own, this time.

Minister Oduber assures the new Aruba branding has been widely accepted

Campaign is executed within the legal scope of Aruba, he tells Parliament

ORANJESTAD—Minister of Tourism Otmar Oduber ensures that the new branding campaign of Aruba is to make everyone, locals and visitors aware of the new logo for the island. That is what he answered Parliament member Juan David Irausquin, who had questions on the launching of the new 'Aruba brand.'

According to Minister Oduber, in addition to make the logo more familiar, the campaign also is geared to make Arubans more aware of the role each one plays in the Aruba tourism industry. The new logo represents the entire island. He ensured every citizen will have an opportunity to express how Aruba should project itself internationally.

The campaign will be evaluated at the end of the introduction phase. The investigation on the impact will yield information whether the campaign achieved its goals of making the logo known, accepted and used. The results will then be shared with Parliament. According to the Minister, in his opinion, based on the large public that attended the public launching last week and the interest in the logo, he is convinced Aruba accepted and is able to identify with the new logo.

There will be additional campaigns to increase local awaress for the general public, so that each and everyone can feel identified with the new Aruba brand.

Regarding the finances, the entire campaign is set to cost 250,000 Aruba florins and the money is allocated in the Aruba Tourism Authority budget. "The total costs are not yet know, but will be in



Otmar Oduber

the scope of the above mentioned sum, "Minister Oduber commented.

He assured the entire process of alotting the work to advertising agencies took place within the legal frame allowed by the Government, similar when leasing a car. Based on the size and limited time for the campaign, it was chosen to hold a tendering process based on invitation only (the ECA Advertising Agency was not asked to participate). A total of four companies were approached and three presented offers.

Minister Oduber said he deemed it appropriate to work with all three based on the strength and plans of each. The contracts were approved by Minister's Decree.

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Pakistan orders evacuation of southern town

THATTA, Pakistan (AFP) – Pakistan ordered 300,000 people to evacuate a southern city after waters breached its defences as the United Nations warned yesterday the country's worst humanitarian crisis was deepening.

For nearly a month, torrential monsoon rain has triggered massive floods steadily moving from north to south, affecting a fifth of the volatile country -- an area roughly the size of England -- and 17 million people.

The United Nations estimated that around one million people had been displaced in the southern province of Sindh in 48 hours, where rising waters threatened a string of major towns.

"We ordered people of Thatta city to move to safer places after floods breached an embankment at Faqir Jogoth village," administration official Manzoor Sheikh told AFP.

About 70 percent of Thatta's approximately 300,000 people had so far moved to safer areas and the deluge is bearing down on the city, he said.

"We hope that army engineers will be able to repair the breach or otherwise floodwaters will inundate Thatta city," Sheikh said. He said the surrounding towns of Sujawal, Mirpur Bathoro and Darro -- which had a combined population of 400,000 -- had already been evacuated.

People were fleeing Thatta, where streets were deserted and shops shut, to nearby Makli and Karachi with their livestock and luggage as engineers tried to repair the six-meter (20-foot) wide breach, an AFP reporter said.

In Makli, which is a hilly area, devastated people were seen sitting out in the open with their children and cattle.

A spokesman for the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in Islamabad estimated that one million people were displaced in a 48-hour period in Sindh alone.

"An already colossal disaster is getting worse and requiring an even more colossal response. The magnitude of this crisis is reaching levels that are even beyond our initial fears," said the spokesman Maurizio Giuliano.

"The number of those affected and those in need of assistance from us are bound to keep rising."

The orders to evacuate Thatta threw into chaos plans by hundreds of people already on the move, fleeing flooded villages and hoping that the district's biggest city could provide relief and shelter.

Pakistan's worst humanitarian disaster has left eight million dependent on aid for their survival and washed away huge swathes of the rich farmland on which the country's struggling economy depends.

The Pakistani government has confirmed 1,600 people dead and 2,366 injured, but officials warn that millions are at risk from disease and food shortages.

The country's disaster agency said Friday there would be a "significant rise" in the death toll as waters recede and the numbers of missing are counted.

Amid the global humanitarian effort US aid chief Rajiv Shah said he faced a threat when visiting a relief camp but pledged that extremists would not deter assistance.

Shah, administrator of the US Agency for International Development, said he quickly exited the camp he was touring in the southern city of Sukkur on Wednesday at the urging of his security guards.

Shah, who believed militants went to the camp because he was there, told

reporters after returning to Washington it was "deeply saddening that others would choose to use these environments to propagate themselves."





Cas di Glas (House of Glass) event is September 29 to October 3

A united Aruba, joining forces and linking hands in the battle against breast cancer, that is the serious note behind four days of spectacular fun at theupcoming Cas di Glas (House of Glass) happening. The event will take place from September 29 thru October 3rd in front of the CILO City Lounge in the Renaissance Marketplace. Four days of music, dance, sports, information and fun will generate the funds to pay for a mobile breast cancer screening unit. That is the ultimate goal for Aruba's first-ever Cas di Glas: a mobile unit so that every woman can get herself tested. Aruba has a very high percentage of breast cancer patients; higher even than average world-wide.

The Cas di Glas is an internationally well-known concept in which a number of courageous deejays stay inside a glass house for days on end, living on fruit and vegetable juices and working their tails off for a good cause. On Aruba this is the Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds (KWF), the cancer foundation that assists, informs and helps pa-



tients cope with their disease. Not only breast cancer patients are welcome at KWF; the door is open to all cancer victims on the island. The deejays are Cool FM's DJ101, Jean Carlo and Tele-Aruba's Siomara Everon.

The three local celebs will be doing interviews, playing songs and help raise money to be able to buy the AWG. 450,000 Mammogram machine with a van that allows physicians in Aruba to detectbreast cancer in an early stage

Peter Ballière, president of the Clown Doctors of Aruba foundation, has come up with this wild idea of having a Cas di Glas on Aruba. Together with Esmeralda Schotman, Alfons Linders of Media Services International, Alex Ponson of Cool FM, Kim d'Hont of CILO, Thaisse Erasmus and Heleen Bongers of Clown Doctors and Lilian Prince of Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds Aruba (KWF), he is now making his vision a reality. He is getting amazing support from local firms and businesses, who are all enthusiastic about supporting such a worthy cause.

So what will be happening during the four days of serious fun at CILO? Well, the program is as follows: on Wednesday, when the deejays will enter their new home, an Aruban evening with a superstar singer and a fantastic local band from the '70s is planned. Booths with all kinds of information about health and medical issues. about nutrition and much more will be manned and a sports arena will have daily demonstration matches of Aruba's top football, volleyball and beach tennis players. A casino/horeca beach tennis night tournament will see to it that this group will not be forgotten either.

On wednesday Dhaddy Brokke hits the stage again after so many years. Friday night is reserved for international top deejays. Reggae sensation Mulato from Venezuela will be performing on Saturday evening together with surprise acts from famous colleagues. Sunday night is for Intwine and Lincoln Ward. Also on Sunday the total amount of this incredible telethon-type event will be revealed and the tired deejays can finally leave their house.

Inside the house, two deejays and a television personality are going to do their utmost to get the entire population of Aruba and its visitors involved in a united effort to raise money. These three heroes will stay in the house for four days and during that time will only consume fresh fruit juices. They proudly offer their appetite up for charity!

The event will take place from September 29 thru October 3rd in front of the CILO City Lounge in the Renaissance Marketplace.

The audience is welcome to join and to display their own initiatives for raising funds for this good cause.



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NANNY MCPHEE RETURNS (2010) (COMEDY) - IN THE LATEST INSTALLMENT, NANNY McPHEE APPEARS AT THE DOOR OF A HARRIED YOUNG MOTHER, MRS. ISABEL GREEN, WHO IS TRYING TO RUN THE FAMILY FARM WHILE HER HUSBAND IS AWAY AT WAR. BUT ONCE SHE'S ARRIVED, NANNY McPHEE DISCOVERS THAT MRS. GREEN'S CHILDREN ARE FIGHTING A WAR OF THEIR OWN AGAINST TWO SPOILED CITY COUSINS WHO HAVE JUST MOVED IN AND REFUSE TO LEAVE. RELYING ON EVERYTHING FROM A FLYING MOTORCYCLE AND A STATUE THAT COMES TO LIFE TO A TREE-CLIMBING PIGLET AND A BABY ELEPHANT WHO TURNS UP IN THE ODDEST PLACES, NANNY McPHEE USES HER MAGIC TO TEACH HER MISCHIEVOUS CHARGES FIVE NEW LESSONS.

Science/Tech Opposites don't attract: People Choose Partners Like Them

Spouses don't become more alike in their personalities as their marriage progresses, contrary to perceptions.

Rather, spouses often seem similar in character because they start out that way, a new study suggests. People tend to pick their partners based on shared personality traits, researchers say.

Surveying spouses

Researchers know spouses are more similar to each other than to random people, but there's debate about how this happens.

"This could reflect spouses' influence on each other over time, or this could be what attracted them to each other in the first place." said study author Mikhila Humbad, a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at Michigan State University.

The current work analyzed the data of 1,296 married couples, one of the largest such studies to date, Humbad said. Participants had been married from two years to 19 years.

The participants answered 198 questions to assess their personality and behavior, including whether they were ambitious, sociable, easily upset, physically violent or someone who likes to plan ahead.

Opposites don't attract

There was no association between the length of the relationship and similarity of personalities within couples.

The conclusion: Spousal similarity is better explained by partner selection than by gradual convergence of personality

The one exception to this pattern was aggression. "It makes sense if you think about it," Humbad said. "If one person is violent, the other person may respond in a similar fashion and thus become more aggressive over time."

The research could have implications for future spouses as well as their off-spring. "Marrying someone who's similar to you may increase the likelihood that you'll pass those traits on to your children," Humbad said.



The Anti-Facebook Arrives September 15: Will You Switch?

Diaspora, the open source social network and potential Facebook challenger, will be ready to launch on September 15, according to the project's developers.

In a recent blog post, the Diaspora team say they have the nascent social networking software up and running, and are happy with the near-final result. Despite these proclamations, however, it's unclear what Diaspora will look like or how it will function when Diaspora finally launches.

Open Source Facebook

Diaspora is meant to be an alternative to Facebook, Twitter, and other social networks allowing you to share content such as photos, status updates, links, and so on. The plan for implementing Diaspora, as is understood, is for users to download the software package, and then install it on their own Website hosted by yourself or a Web

hosting service like Go Daddy.

For those not interested in hosting their own Diaspora site, the team also plans on creating a one-click sign-up version of Diaspora as well. But it's not clear when a hosted version of Diaspora would become available. However, the real power behind Diaspora appears to be the ability to take control of all your social networking data and put it on a server that you control.

Features

At launch, Diaspora will likely be fairly basic. Key features, according to the project Website, include the ability to scrape your data from major social networks such as Faceb ook, Twitter, and Flickr; and for Diaspora users to connect with each other and share content such as status updates and photos between different Websites.

Boeing further delays delivery of first Dreamliner



A Boeing 787 Dreamliner does a flyby at the Farnborough Airshow in July. Aerospace giant Boeing said Friday it will delay until early 2011 the deliveryof the first 787 Dreamliner aircraft, originally scheduled for the end of this year. Confirmation that Boeing will not be able to hand over the first aircraft to Japan's All Nippon Airways (ANA) this year came in a statement released in the US and Japan, after it warned in July it may have to delay. The Chicago-based plane maker said the latest setback follows problems with the Rolls-Royce engines that will power the plane as it continues to test the aircraft. The aviation giant is hanging its future on the mid-sized plane -- its first new model in more than a decade -- which draws on huge advances in aviation technology and can fly long-haul routes using up to 20 percent less fuel

HEALTH - LIVING

Food better than supplements for cancer prevention: Expert



Nutritional supplements are popular among Americans but people need to educate themselves and use caution when using these products to try to reduce their risk of cancer, says a University of Texas expert.

"Researchers are still unsure about whether or not minerals, herbs and other plants taken in pill, capsule, tablet or liquid form actually prevent cancer," Sally Scroggs, health education manager at the Cancer Prevention Center at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Medical Center, said in a news release from the center.

Vitamins E and C, for example, were found not to prevent cancer in the large-scale Women's Health Study and the Physicians' Health Study II. Findings from other studies suggest that some supplements may actually increase cancer risk by affecting the balance of nutrients in the body.

"If you eat lots of vegetables, fruits, whole grains and beans, you should get the nutrients, including fiber, vitamins and minerals, your body needs to lower your chances of getting diseases like cancer," Scroggs said. "Taking a pill can't replace a healthy diet."

She suggested eating plenty of foods loaded with cancer-fighting nutrients such as beta-carotene, selenium, lycopene, resveratrol and vitamins A, C and E.

While Scroggs does advise caution, there are some situations where taking supplements may benefit people, especially those who aren't getting enough nutrients due to food allergies, genetics or chronic illnesses, she said.

This includes women who are pregnant or breast-feeding; people at risk for vitamin D deficiency or osteoporosis; and people at risk for B-12 deficiency, including those aged 50 and older and vegans who consume no animal products.

Scroggs concluded that if you're considering taking supplements, consult with a doctor or registered dietician first.

Tip: Training a Toddler to Use the Toilet



When training your little one to use the potty, it's best to start with a plan and a few guidelines.

The American Academy of Pediatrics offers these suggestions:

* praise when your child does well, and don't punish when there is an accident. Remember that even small steps are positive.

* Remain consistent with what you expect from your child, and communi-

cate these expectations clearly and often.
* Stay involved until you're sure your child has mastered using the potty. It's not something that's learned overnight.

* Don't take the process too seriously. Understand that eventually, your little one will figure it out.

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Is Black Rice the New

Brown?



According to ancient Chinese legend, black rice was so rare, tasty, and nutritious that only the emperors were allowed to eat it.

Times have changed. Although black rice is still relatively rare, researchers are trying to bring its distinctive flavor and mix of antioxidants to the masses—or at least to a grocery store near you.

If you've never heard of black rice, much less seen it, the dark-hued grain is now available at supermarkets such as Whole Foods and appears to be gaining a foothold in kitchens and restaurants in the U.S.

Like brown rice, black rice is full of antioxidant-rich bran, which is found in the outer layer that gets removed during the milling process to make white rice. But only black-rice bran contains the antioxidants known as anthocyanins, purple and reddish pigments—also found in blueberries, grapes, and acai—that have been linked to a decreased risk of heart disease and cancer, improvements in memory, and other health benefits.

One spoonful of black-rice

bran—or 10 spoonfuls of cooked black rice—contains the same amount of anthocyanin as a spoonful of fresh blueberries, according to a new study presented today at the American Chemical Society, in Boston.

"I think the black-rice bran has an advantage over blueberries, because blueberries still contain a high level of sugar," says the lead researcher, Zhimin Xu, PhD, an associate professor at Louisiana State University Agricultural Center, in Baton Rouge.

Black rice isn't currently grown on a commercial scale in the U.S., but Xu hopes that his research will spur farmers in the Southeast to start growing it

The combination of antioxidants found in black rice packs a one-two punch that could make it a particularly good food for your health.

Some antioxidants in black (and brown) rice are fat-soluble, while anthocyanins are water-soluble and can therefore reach different areas of the body, says Joe Vinson, PhD, a professor of chemistry at the University of Scranton, in Pennsylvania.

Black rice is still a niche product, but its popularity seems to be growing.

"I have to order it [from our supplier] a lot more often than I used to, that's for sure," says Linda Barry, the manager of Barry Farm Foods, a food distributor in Wapakoneta, Ohio, that began carrying black rice about three years ago.

Lotus Foods—which first introduced black rice to the U.S. market in 1995—has seen steadily increasing sales as well, says Caryl Levine, the co-owner of the El Cerrito, Calif.-based company.

Levine has been a believer ever since she tried her first bowl of steaming black rice in China. "I loved the taste and texture, and the color," she says. "You get this upfront nutty taste, and almost a hint of fruit or floral at the finish. It's very complex."

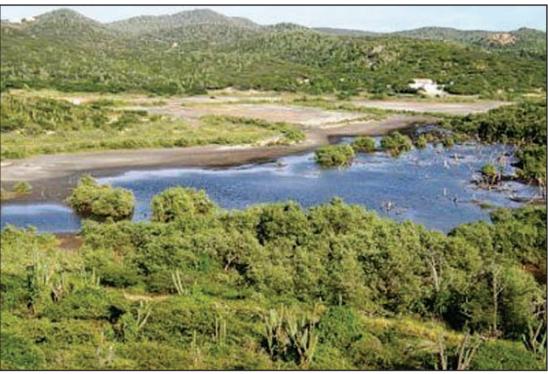
The taste won't win everyone over. That may be the biggest obstacle facing black rice, says Marisa Moore, RD, a national spokesperson for the American Dietetic Association.

Some of her clients still find it "a challenge to incorporate brown rice [in their diets], because it is a different flavor and is chewier," Moore says—and black rice is even chewier and more intense than brown rice. (To address this problem, Xu and his colleagues are developing a patented process to make black rice fluffier and less coarse.)

Because the health benefits of black rice lie in the bran, it's important to choose whole-grain varieties when shopping. As with brown rice, Moore suggests, you should look for "whole black rice" at the top of the ingredients list.

Discover the Treasures Across the Bridge

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View of the Spaan Lagoen



Boca grande kitespot in San nicolas

Crossing the Balashi Bridge to San Nicolas, on the west coast, you will find the Spaans Lagoen (Spanish Lagoon).

The Spaans Lagoen is a small bay within the two km long and up to five hundred meters wide. By the tidal force has created a special ecostysteem: a wetlands (wetlands). Wetlands are areas and between rural areas and wetlands have high biodiversity. Therefore, the inner bay of great importance for waterfowl and is also an important nursery for reef fish and crustaceans.

The Spaans Lagoen area flows into **Savaneta** is a fishing village in southeastern Aruba. Home to the oldest surviving home in Aruba, it is the

oldest town on that island and former capital. It was where the Dutch first settled after they recaptured it in 1816. It is said that Savaneta name became during the Spanish colonization in 1840. Savaneta means Sabana chikito (small savannah).

Heading east to San Nicolas you will encounter **Cura Cabai** located along the west coast of the island.

Driving further you will find Aruba's second largest city, **San Nicolas**, with the majority of residents originally hailing from the British Caribbean to work in the Lago oil refinery.

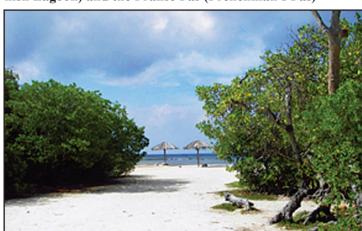
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Following east you will find **Seroe Colorado**. Seroe Colorado translates to "colorful hill." The name of the place refers to the 30 meters high of pure limestone at the endpoint in the east of Aruba. The hill got its name due to the brown yellowish color of the limestone



The ruins of the gold smelter next to the Spaans Lagoen (Spanish Lagoon) and the Franse Pas (Frenchman's Pas)



Mangel Halto in Savaneta



Aruba's actual oil refinery, Valero



Winners of the Earthcheck Platinum Award

Amsterdam Manor celebrates 10 years of environment awareness



Operations Manager Jenny Rogers and Directing Manager Jurgan van Schaijk with showing off the Award



Lisa and Bob Nearier of NY join the celebration with Astrid Muller and Jim Hepple



Jeanine and Anna of the Amsterdam Manor with Astrid



Amsterdam Manor employees celebrating



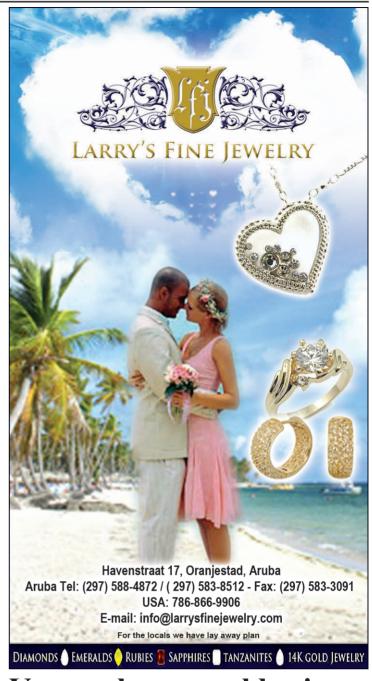
Amsterdam Manor Managing Director Jurgan van Schaijk and Operations Manager Jenny Rogers were host and hostess to an informal gathering for employees and island tourism executives to celebrate recognition by Earthcheck for ten years of "re-use, recycling and renewal," which earned them a Platinum Award.

During their weekly Manager's Cocktail Party at Passion's on the Beach, a special section was set aside where attendees, such as Astrid Muller of the Aruba Tourism Authority and Jim Hepple, President and CEO of the Aruba Hotel and Tourism Association, could admire the setting sun glinting off the handsome trophy.

The EarthCheck Program is widely regarded as the world's most scientifically rigorous, focused on maximizing operational efficiencies to minimize CO2e emissions; participating entities are required to extensively document all their actions and provide vast amounts of data to support their adherence to the Earthcheck standards. Prior to receiving their annual cer-tification Amsterdam Manor successfully benchmarked and certified its operations each year, using the EarthCheck tool.

Mr. van Schaijk and all staff members of the Amsterdam Manor Beach Resort were proud to received recognition for their unstinting efforts to provide an example for other operators. "It is very important to us to keep finding ways to preserve the environment as much as possible, not only for our guests, but more importantly for the future generations of Aruba," commented Mr. van Schaijk. "This festive evening is a reward to all the staff whose continuing efforts on behalf of the community has earned the resort this honor."

by Rosalie Klein



Venezuela says gold-mine accident may have taken 14

CARACAS, Venezuela - Venezuelan authorities say eight miners may still be missing following a cave-in Monday at an abandoned gold mine, meaning the death toll could rise to as high as 14

Six bodies were recovered Tuesday morning from the illegal mine near the southeastern town of El Callao. Officials at the time said they didn't know if more miners may have also been inside the cave when the shoddily built structure collapsed.

In a statement Thursday, the attorney general's office said that as a result of the mine collapse, "six lives were lost and eight others are presumed missing."

Officials weren't available to comment on whether efforts were still being made to find the presumed missing miners.

Also on Thursday, Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez mocked rumors that he was suffering from cancer as wishful thinking by his "squalid" enemies.

Some local media have been saying this week that Chavez, 56, may be suffering from a cancer in the nasal cavity

His failure to appear on Wednesday's first day of campaigning for the Sept. 26 parliament elections fueled that speculation, though it later transpired Chavez was holding a lengthy meeting with his mentor, Fidel Castro, in Cuba.



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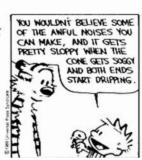




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US Fed eyes aggressive steps as recovery slows

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The Federal Reserve will aggressively boost US economic expansion if the outlook worsened, central bank chief Ben Bernanke said yesterday, as the government slashed the second quarter growth pace.

But he said prospects for a US growth pick up in 2011 appeared to remain despite the sharp government cutback yesterday in economic expansion to 1.6 percent in the April-June period.

The growth plunge by more than half from the 3.7 percent in the first quarter was on the back of a massive trade deficit and weak private inventory investment, and signaled a more pronounced slowdown in recovery from recession.

The White House said yesterday the lowered estimates meant more work was needed to keep the recovery on track.

"Four consecutive quarters

of economic growth is positive news, but the revised numbers mean there is still much more we need to do to continue on the path to recovery and that remains the focus of the president and the economic team every single day," said a senior administration official with President Barack Obama.

Even if growth faltered, the central bank's policy body was ready to act forcefully.

The Federal Open Market Committee "is prepared to provide additional monetary accommodation through unconventional measures if it proves necessary, especially if the outlook were to deteriorate significantly," Bernanke said.

It was his strongest signal yet that the central bank could resume massive purchases of longer-term debt if the economy worsened, a move that would add to the Federal Reserve's already bloated balance sheet.

Speaking at annual central bank talks from Jackson Hole, the plush ski resort in the Teton mountains in Wyoming state, Bernanke said the Fed had adequate weapons in its arsenal to jolt the economy from any sharp slowdown, brushing off criticism by some analysts that it has been pushed to a corner.

The Fed has already pumped hundreds of billions of dollars into the economy since a home mortgage meltdown triggered the worst financial crisis in decades and plunged the economy into recession in December 2007.

The central bank has also slashed interest rates to virtually zero to spur growth, which spurted late last year before staggering again.

Bernanke's assurances in his closely-watched speech helped assuage immediate market concerns.

Wall Street shares rebounded after sliding mostly this week, with the blue-chip Dow index jumping more than 100 points in late New York trading.

"Markets were looking for reassurance from Bernanke today, and the Fed chairman did not disappoint. His speech strengthens our conviction that the FOMC is likely to ease policy further in the relatively near future," said Nomura analyst Zach Pandl.

While acknowledging that growth and employment were slowing to levels not expected by the central bank, Bernanke was careful to rule out the possibility of the world's largest economy slipping back into recession.

"I expect the economy to continue to expand in the second half of this year, albeit at a relatively modest pace," he said. "Despite the weaker data seen recently, the preconditions for a pickup in growth in 2011 appear to remain in place," he added.

Most recent economic data fell below already modest expectations and economists are reducing their growth forecast for the third quarter with some warning of a "double-dip" recession. New home sales plunged to the lowest levels in half a century and the pace of orders for goods indicated the manufacturing sector slowed markedly, with business capital spending contracting massively.

Unemployment at 9.5 percent is the biggest concern as it has curtailed consumer spending, a key growth driver, and sent other equally important sectors reeling.

"The recovery continues but remains tenuous," warned economist Augustine Faucher at Moody's Economy.com.

European stocks gain on Fed chief's comments

LONDON, England (AFP) -Europe's main stock markets rounded off the week on a high note yesterday as US Federal Reserve chief Ben Bernanke cheered investors with a promise to aggressively tackle a slowdown in growth.

London's FTSE 100 index of leading shares closed up 0.89 percent at 5,201.56 points after official data showing Britain's economy growing at its fastest pace for nine years in the second quarter.

In Paris, the CAC 40 rose 0.93 percent to 3,507.44 points and in Frankfurt the DAX added 0.65 percent to 5,951.17 points.

The Stoxx 50 index of leading eurozone companies gained 0.90 percent to 2,630.35 points.

On Wall Street, the bluechip Dow Jones Industrial Average showed a gain of 0.57 percent to 10,042.72 shortly before European markets closed while the broader S&P

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500 index was up 0.52 percent to 1.052.70.

US Federal Reserve chief Ben Bernanke said yesterday that the central bank would take more aggressive steps to boost growth if the economic outlook "deteriorated significantly".

"US Fed chairman Ben Bernanke now appears willing to discuss all the central bank's options for introducing further policy stimulus," said Capital Economics senior analyst Paul Ashworth.

The comments were his strongest signal yet that the Fed could resume massive purchases of longer-term debt if the economy worsened, a move that would add to the Federal Reserve's already bloated balance sheet.

"What the market seized on was that if the American economy continues to struggle the Fed will step in," said broker Xavier de Villepion with Parisbased Global Equities.

Bernanke spoke just after the US government slashed second quarter growth in the world's largest economy to a pace of 1.6 percent, signalling a more pronounced slowdown in the recovery from recession.

Gross domestic product growth in the April-June period fell from 3.7 percent in the first quarter on the back of a massive trade deficit and weak private inventory investment, the Commerce Department said "The market was bracing for bad news on the GDP, I think it was quite critical that we saw a fairly decent number, not only the headline but why that number missed expectations is as important," said Marc Pado, an analyst at Cantor Fitzgerald.

Earlier Japanese shares overcame early losses yesterday to end higher as investor hopes brightened on expectations Tokyo could soon announce new measures to reinvigorate the economy and counter the effects of a strong yen.

The headline Nikkei index ended up 0.95 percent at 8,991.06 points.

Swiss return 53 million francs to Aeroflot

GENEVA, Switzerland (AFP) - Swiss authorities said yesterday that they had returned some 53 million francs to Aeroflot after assets were seized over a decade ago in a money laundering probe.

"Following an application for legal assistance from Russia, the Federal Examining Magistrate responsible ordered assets totalling approximately 53 million francs (40 million euros, 52 million dollars), which had been confiscated in Switzerland, to be returned to the defrauded Russian airline Aeroflot.

"The sum was transferred to an Aeroflot account in Zurich today," the Swiss Federal Examining Magistrate said in a statement.

Russian authorities in 1999 sought legal assistance from Switzerland amid investigations into the embezzlement of assets from Aeroflot.

The Aeroflot case focused on the hard-currency cash flows of Russia's main carrier, some quarter-billion dollars of which were allegedly funnelled into two Swiss firms -- Forus and Andava -- founded by tycoon Boris Berezovsky in 1996 and 1997.

Swiss authorities gathered evidence for the Russians and froze several Swiss bank accounts. Bern also began a criminal investigation into money laundering and corporate fraud.

A Russian court eventually sentenced three former directors of Aeroflot to two years in prison for their role in the affair.

After their conviction, Russian authorities asked Switzerland to return seized assets to Aeroflot. However, Switzerland had already began its own criminal proceedings on the case and had to wait until they were completed before processing Russia's request.

In 2008, the Federal Criminal Court delivered a guilty verdict and ordered the seizure, culminating in the return of the assets this week.

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Buster's Garage, a New York City landmark, made its way to Aruba about a year ago, and found a new home at the South Beach Center across from the Radisson Resort. Dedicated to the sports fanatic, the spacious but homey interior is the perfect place to keep up with your favorite team and have a great meal.

Fun for all the family, Buster's has typical sport bar fare such as chicken wings, quesadillas, calamari rings for munching while watching the main event on 24 giant plasma screens. Every seat is good seat for catching all the action. Open from noon for lunch or dinner, it has plenty of distractions for the younger crowd, including foosball, and a video arcade, so Mom and Dad can relax and enjoy their meal.

The moderately priced menu includes all your favorite finger foods and a great selection of local and imported beers. Customer reviews gave Buster's Garage 4.5 stars out of 5 on yellowpages-aruba. com; one declared "my wife and I happened to stumble upon it -but what a find!" Another stated "Owner Rusty is so down to earth. The food was very good and the prices were outstanding for the High-Rise area. Aruba needed a place like this"

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Buster's is a great place where island visitors and residents mix and mingle; Monday to Thursday they close at 2:00 am., weekends at 4:00 a.m.

by Rosalie Klein



Video shows Chile's trapped miners in good spirits



Relatives watch a video of the miners still trapped inside the mine.

COPIAPO, Chile (AFP) – Miners trapped deep in a Chilean mine have sent video footage showing them in good spirits, as their families filed the first of potentially many lawsuits against the shaft owner

Excerpts of the 45-minute video released Thursday showed the men upbeat despite their 21-day ordeal in a hot and dank underground shelter, where they await a potentially months-long rescue.

About a dozen other miners waved at the mini-camera, which was lowered earlier 700 meters (2,300 feet) below the surface via one of the metal capsules that have been ferrying supplies to them since Sunday.

On Monday, thirst brief, shadowy images of a miner's face were sent from a rudimentary camera initially lowered to the shelter.

The discovery of the miners still alive three weeks after a cave-in triggered mass celebrations in Chile, where mining is a vital industry.

The country is the world's top copper producer, with one third of total output, and in their video, the miners appeared eager to claim a position of respect for the thousands of Chileans who toil un-

derground.

The men have been told to brace for an extended rescue operation, certainly more than two months, but were not given engineers' estimates that it could be twice that long.

Officials were carefully watching for any negative reaction to the news.

Rescuers also said nine of the men were "too fat" to fit through the 66-centimeter (26inch) diameter escape shaft that would eventually reach them, according to CNN.

Medical teams on the surface said the miners lost between eight and 10 kilograms (18 to 22 pounds) before contact was made Sunday.

Still, doctors were looking at diet and exercise regimes to ensure all would be able to fit through the shaft -- roughly the diameter of a bicycle wheel -- when the time comes.

The men survived more than two weeks on meager rations and water dripping into the tunnel before their discovery last Sunday by a drill probe.

Capsules now ferry food and water to them along the probe's small hole, which also served as a conduit for an intercom cable to communicate with officials, doctors and family members.

Japan high-tech toilet makers flush with success



An employee of Japan's housing company Daiwa House checks the electronic display of the "Intelligent Toilet" in Tokyo

TOKYO (AFP) - In Japan, the global leader in high-tech toilet design, the latest restroom marvel should come with a health warning for hypochondriacs -- it doubles as a medical lab that can really spoil your day.

Japanese toilets have long and famously dominated the world of bathroom hygiene with their array of functions, from posterior shower jets to perfume bursts and noisemasking audio effects for the easily-embarrassed.

The latest "intelligent" model, manufactured by market leader Toto, goes a step further and isn't for the fainthearted: it offers its users an instant health check-up every time they answer the call of nature.

Designed for the housing

company Daiwa House with Japan's growing army of elderly in mind, it provides urine analysis, takes the user's blood pressure and body temperature, and measures their weight with an inbuilt floor scale.

"Our chairman had the idea when he was at a hospital and saw people waiting for health checks. He thought it would be better if they could do the health tests at home," says Akiho Suzuki, an architect at Daiwa House.

Toto's engineers developed a receptacle inside the basin to collect the urine for sugar content and temperature checks, and an armband to monitor blood pressure. The readout is displayed on a wall-mounted computer

"With the current model, your data is sent automatically to your personal computer, and then you can email it to your doctor," said Suzuki.

"In the next generation model, the data will be sent automatically to family members or doctors via the Internet," she told AFP.

The electronic marvel, called the "Intelligence Toilet", is capable of storing the data of up to five different people and retails for 350,000 to 500,000 yen (about 4,100 to 5,850 dollars) in Japan, she said.

"For now our customers are essentially middle-aged and senior people. But we hope the young generation will also become more health-conscious."

Lindsay Lohan ordered to undergo therapy, random drug testing

Lindsay Lohan was discharged from the UCLA Medical Center on Tuesday after completing 22 days of treatment, but her obligations don't stop there. Judge Elden Fox has outlined some strict conditions for the troubled starlet.

In a hearing this week, the judge ordered Lindsay to attend four psychotherapy and two behavioral therapy sessions a week, submit to random drug and alcohol testing twice a week, see a counselor seven times a week for chemical dependency issues and attend 12-step chemical dependency sessions five times a week.

If she fails to comply with any of the conditions, Judge Fox has warned she will face a 30-day jail sentence.

However, once she passes a deadline of November 1, the strict conditions imposed



on the actress will be eased.

The judge said: "If all conditions are met by November 1, she will be allowed unsupervised probation and permitted to live elsewhere, including outside California."

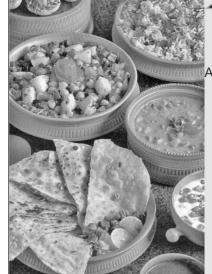
Lindsay's lawyer insisted the star is "serious about her sobriety." Shawn Chapman Holley said: "She looks forward to proving to the court that she's moving forward in a positive manner."

The actress' lawyer also confirmed Lindsay had decided not to attend the Los Angeles premiere of her new movie Machete last night.

She said: "She thought it was better for her to focus on recovery and not go to something splashy. She's healthy and clear-headed."

The 24-year-old star has also been spotted applying for a new driving license.

A source revealed: "Lindsay went to the DMV in Santa Monica today. You're not allowed to drive if you are on probation for DUI, but she went to jail for ignoring her rules of probation on DUI, and she's served her time so she can re-apply."



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'Ordain women now,' London buses will tell pope



LONDON (AFP) - London's red buses will be emblazoned with posters calling for the ordination of women priests in the Catholic Church when Pope Benedict XVI visits Britain next month, campaign organisers said Thursday.

The Catholic Women's Ordination (CWO) group will launch a campaign on Monday with posters on 15 of the famous scarlet buses which read "Pope Benedict-Ordain Women Now".

"We're not allowed to discuss women's ordination now it's been turned into a serious crime to ordain a woman," CWO spokeswoman Pat Brown told AFP.

"So it's a way to get our message out there and this is a good opportunity while the pope is in the country."

The Vatican remains fiercely opposed to ordaining women, saying in new disciplinary rules issued in June that it was a "crime against the faith".

The Anglican Church allows the ordination of

women priests, although the ordination of women bishops continues to be hotly debated.

Benedict will visit Edinburgh, Glasgow, London and Birmingham on September 16-19 in the first papal visit to Britain since John Paul II came in 1982.

The pope faces a range of protests during the visit, including a major one in London on September 18 under the umbrella slogan "Protest the Pope" which will feature secularists and gay rights campaigners.



Gay steams to Diamond glory, Semenya outshone

BRUSSELS (AFP) - US sprinter Tyson Gay overcame a false start to steam to victory in the 100m at the season's final Diamond League meet here on Friday, but Caster Semenya failed in her bid to win the women's 800m.

In a season which has seen Jamaican duo Usain Bolt and Powell sidelined through injury, Gay settled his nerves after a starter's error to clock 9.79sec to be crowned the season's top performer in the event, netting 40,000 dol-

Jamaican duo Nesta Carter (9.85sec personal best) and Yohan Blake (9.91) completed the podium.

"I'm kind of pleased with the time but not with the race as I didn't execute my start," said Gay, whom many in the crowd thought had falsestarted -- something that would have led to him being disqualified, the organisers' nightmare.

"I didn't fale start," he stressed. "I think someone's box slipped. But the cameras kept zooming in on me. It made me nervous and threw me out a bit.

"I'm pleased with my last 30 metres. My plan (this season) was to be victorious."

Semenya, South Africa's reigning 800m world champion, could only finish third in her debut in the Diamond League.

The 19-year-old was racing in only her fourth outing since returning from 11 months on the sidelines following a controversial investigation by IAAF, the sport's governing body, into her gen-

She dropped immediately into last spot in the field and still had six runners ahead of her at 200m.

Kenya's Janeth Jepkosgei dominated the race and won in 1min 58.82sec, with Russian Mariya Savinova coming home in second.

Semenya produced a spurt for third with a season's best of 1:59.65, a way off the 1:55.45 time that won her the world title last year.



"The race was very tactical but also very quick," Semenya said. "I was never up there with the leaders."

In a good night for Kenyan athletes, newly-crowned world record holder David Rudisha won the 800m title, winning in 1:43.50 ahead of Sudan's Abubaker Kaki in a close sprint finish.

Rudisha's compatriot Asbel Kiprop won the 1500m in 3:32.18, American Leonel Manzano producing a fantastic sprint for second, with title contender Augustine Choge in third.

And Vivian Cheruiyot made it four Kenyan titles in one night when she outpaced Ethiopian Sentayehu Ejigu to win the 5000m in 14:34.14.

In the women's events, Canada's Priscilla Lopes-Schliep took victory in the 100m hurdles in 12.54sec, with closest rival Lolo Jones of the United States only managing fifth.

Yargelis Savigne claimed the triple jump title despite finishing second to Kazakh Olga Rypakova and level in

the overall standings, the Cuban getting the nod for the title because of her superior number of victories throughout the season.

And France's world indoor champ Teddy Tamgho produced the goods on his fourth and final effort (17.52m) to win the men's triple jump ahead of Cuba's Alexis Copello and Swedish veteran Christian Olsson.

Of the 16 events up for grabs on Friday, eight had already been decided: Bershawn Jackson (USA/400m hurdles), Christian Cantwell (USA/shot), Renaud Lavillenie (FRA/pole vault) and An-Thorkildsen dreas (NOR/javelin), Allyson Felix (USA/200m), Blanka Vlasic (CRO/high jump), Milcah (KEN/3000m Chemos steeple) and Yarelis Barrios (CUB/discus).

NBA suspends three players over conduct

NEW YORK (AFP) - The NBA suspended Indiana's Brandon Rush for five games on Friday for violating the league's drug agreement, while Sacramento's Tyreke Evans and Miami's Kenny Hasbrouck drew bans for driving offenses.

Rush was suspended without pay for five games for violating the terms of the NBA/NBA Players' Association Anti-Drug Pro-

He started 64 games for the Pacers last season and averaged 9.4 points.

Pacers president Larry Bird said in a statement that the organization would support Rush.

"We have been made aware that Brandon Rush has been suspended for violating the NBA's anti-drug policy," Bird said. "We will do what we can to provide Brandon help going forward."

Evans, the league's Rookie of the Year, was suspended without pay for one game for pleading no contest to reckless driving in California.

Hasbrouck was suspended without pay for two games after pleading guilty to drunken driving in New York



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Dyson, Jimenez locked in Ryder Cup tussle



Dyson

GLENEAGLES (AFP) -England's Simon Dyson and Spanish veteran Miguel Angel Jimenez were locked in a desperate battle to make Europe's Ryder Cup team on Friday.

Both Dyson and Jimenez were six under par at the halfway stage of the Johnnie Walker Championship, three shots off the lead held by David Lynn, Gary Boyd and Julien Guerrier.

With Europe team skipper Colin Montgomerie scheduled to name his team for October's Ryder Cup clash against the USA on Sunday, only two rounds remain for claims to be staked.

"If I play the best 36 holes of my life, I'll play in the best tournament of my life," said the 32-year-old Dyson, after a second-round 70 kept him in joint-seventh place.

However, Jimenez will keep Dyson out of the team if he finishes in the top nine on Sunday and he carded a 68 on Friday to also be six under par at halfway.

There are two remaining guaranteed spots in the Europe squad to be decided as well as three wild cards.

The fight for the places is also being conducted in the US, where Padraig Harrington was four shots off the lead at The Barclays in New Jersey with Tiger Woods the joint first-round leader.

Ireland's Harrington is believed to be a certainty to wrap up one of the captain's picks while Paul Casev and Luke Donald, both also playing in the US, are favourites

With Alvaro Quiros just squeezing through the cut on one under par, Dyson looks like the only threat to Jimenez and Peter Hanson.

Swede Hanson won last week's Czech Open to move into eighth place on the points table and he was also six under at halfway here on

Dyson felt unlucky that a rain storm came while he was on the 320-yard 14th hole.

"The easiest hole on the course became a tough one,' he said.

"I struggled with distance with my irons, but I missed only one fairway and my putting held my score together for the first few holes.

"I know what I've got to do and I'll just give it a go. If I'm three behind even with nine holes to go I still fancy my chances.'

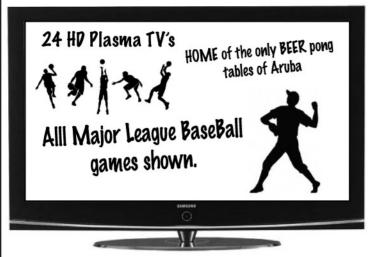
Playing partner Hanson birdied the last three holes for his second successive 69 and a 43rd-place finish for him puts him in the Ryder Cup side regardless of what anybody else does

Jimenez birdied three of the first four holes, but it was only when he birdied the par five last -- like Dyson -- that he moved to four under for the day.



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Briscoe takes Chicagoland Indy Woods slips off lead pole



women in the field.

CHICAGO (AFP) - Australia's Ryan Briscoe on Friday earned pole position for Saturday's IndyCar race at Chicagoland Speedway.

Briscoe, winner of this race last season, claimed his third straight Chicagoland pole with an average speed of 216.347mph.

Scotland's Dario Franchitti was second quickest, followed by Australian Will Power, Brazil's Helio Castroneves and American Marco Andretti. The 29-car field was separated by just one second.

Power leads Franchitti by

59 points in the IndyCar series standings with four races remaining.

night's race Saturday under the floodlights begins a season-ending stretch of four races on oval circuits.

While Power leads the standings, he is better known for his success on street-style circuits, while Franchitti is considered stronger on ovals.

New Zealand's Scott Dixon, who has finished second at this 1.5-mile oval the past four years, will start from a season-low 15th position.

Danica Patrick was 12thfastest, the highest qualifier of the record-equalling five

at The Barclays

PARAMUS (AFP) - Tiger Woods was unable to build on his first-round lead at The Barclays, slipping back on Friday with a second round that included four bogeys.

Woods missed a two-foot putt for one of his four bogeys over the final eight holes at Ridgewood Country Club as he settled for a twoover 73 for four-under 138.

The world number one was still in the hunt in the first of the US PGA Tour's FedEx Cup playoff tournaments, although he will have to make up ground.

Kevin Streelman carded a 63 and was the clubhouse leader on seven-under 135. John Senden of Australia was at nine-under through nine.

Woods is at least assured of remaining world number one for another week.

Phil Mickelson, who again had a chance to overtake Woods, missed the cut and departed without discussing his round.

Woods had created a stir on Thursday when he fired a six-under 65 to seize a share of the first-round lead alongside Vaughn Taylor.

The round was his lowest since a sex scandal erupted around him last November and came three days after Woods's divorce from Elin Nordegren was finalized.

Woods entered the tournament ranked 112th in FedEx Cup points and needing to reach the top 100 to qualify for next week's event in Boston.

A victory would see him jump to the top of the list, and he must finish at least 57th to

Surgery likely for Nationals phenom Strasburg

WASHINGTON (AFP) -Washington Nationals pitching phenom Stephen Strasburg has a torn elbow ligament that will likely require surgery, bringing his rookie season to a sudden end.

Nationals general manager Mike Rizzo said Friday that an MRI exam on Strasburg's right elbow showed a "significant tear".

Strasburg will travel to the West Coast for a second opinion, but Rizzo said he expects the 22-year-old righthanded hurler will need "Tommy John" ligament reconstruction surgery. The procedure requires 12 to 18 months of rehabilitation.

"I look at the bright side,"

Rizzo said. "Tommy John surgery is a surgery that we've had great success at. The success rate for guys coming back from Tommy John and retaining their stuff is very good."

Strasburg, the top overall selection in the 2009 draft, inked a four-year Major League Baseball deal worth 15.1 million dollars.

He made a sensational debut in June, striking out 14 batters.

He was pulled from a game on Saturday Philadelphia when he winced and shook his hand after throwing a changeup.

The Nationals initially said the injury was a strained flexor tendon in Strasburg's forearm, but an MRI taken Sunday raised enough questions for the team to order another MRI in which dye is injected into the arm to make a clearer image.

The Nationals have been cautious with their prized signing, who landed on the disabled list lastmonth with inflammation in his shoulder.

"The player was developed and cared for in the correct way, and things like this happen," Rizzo said. "Pitchers break down, pitchers get hurt and we certainly are not second-guessing ourselves. ... Frustrated? Yes.

"But second-guessing ourselves? No."

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NEW YORK - Make no mistake: Kim Clijsters considers herself a mother first, a tennis player second.

Yes, the Belgian is the defending champion and seeded No. 2 at the U.S. Open, making her a popular pick to win the year's last Grand Slam tournament, which begins Monday.

None of that, though, is as important to Clijsters as her 2 1/2-year-old daughter, Jada.

There are moments when tennis simply must be set aside, when her family takes precedence over on-court preparation.

'It's about balancing; just listening to yourself. I have days when ... I want to spend time with Jada, and I don't want to go to practice, and I want to make sure I'm there for her," Clijsters said in an interview with The Associated Press. "And luckily, I'm not the type of athlete who, if I don't do it, I'm going to be panicking.

Clijster owns a 14-match winning streak at the U.S. Open, taking the title the last two times she entered, in

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New faces in Dutch squad

THE HAGUE (AFP) - Netherlands coach Bert van Marwijk included several new faces on Friday in his 23-man squad to face San Marino and Finland in their opening two Euro 2012 qualifiers next month.

The Dutch reached the World Cup final in South Africa back in July but several of the players who lost 1-0 to Spain are now unavailable, notably captain Giovanni van Bronckhorst, reserve goalkeeper Sander Boschker and defender Andre Ooijer, who have all retired.

Another absentee is Bayern Munich winger Arjen Robben, who is expected to be out of action until the end of September because of a hamstring tear that was exacerbated during the World Cup.

Lack of form has also led to the exclusion of Ryan Babel, Edson Braafheid and Stiin Schaars, while van Marwijk has also overlooked former Manchester United and Real Madrid striker Ruud van Nistelrooy in spite of his making a good start in the German Bundesliga with new club Hamburg.

Goalkeepers: Maarten Stekelenburg (Ajax), Michel Vorm (Utrecht), Piet Velthuizen (Hercules Alicante/ESP); Defenders: Khalid Boulahrouz (Stut-tgart/GER), Erik Pieters (PSV Eindhoven), Vurnon Anita (Ajax), John Heitinga (Everton/ENG), Joris Mathijsen (Hamburg/GER), Gregory van der Wiel (Ajax), Ron Vlaar (Feyenoord); Midfielders: Ibrahim Afellay (PSV), Mark van Bommel (Bayern Munich/GER), Nigel de Jong (Manchester City/ENG), Theo Janssen (Twente), Hedwiges Maduro (Valencia/ESP), Wesley Sneijder (Inter Milan/ITA). Rafael van der Vaart (Real Madrid/ESP), Demy de Zeeuw (Ajax); Forwards: Eljero Elia (Hamburg/GER), Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (AC Milan/ITA), Robin van Persie (Arsenal/ENG), Dirk Kuyt (Liverpool/ENG), Jeremain Lens (PSV)

Paseo Herencia organizes Kids bike Tour this Sunday

Paseo Herencia is ready for its first Kids Bike Tour. The Bike Tour is dedicated to the young Shanayah Howell whom has accomplished the title of BMX world champion at a very young age. This event will take place on Sunday, August 29th starting at 4 pm.

The route is starting from Paseo Herencia towards L.G.Smith Blvd to the traffic crossing of The Mill Resort; make a right turn J.E.Yrausquin Blvd in front of the High Rise Hotels and finishing back at Paseo Herencia. On their return back at Paseo Herencia more or less at 6 pm a clown show and a surprise for

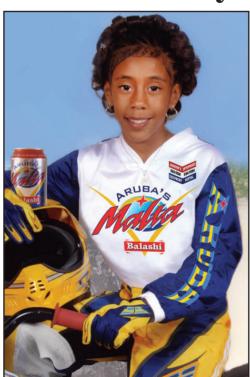
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